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FM AMEMBASSY CAPE TOWN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 4645

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAPE TOWN 0560

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TAGS: PFOR, SF, WA

SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: COMMENT ON VORSTER'S REQUEST TO QUOTE FROM  
TRIPARTITE APPROACH

REF: CAPE TOWN 558 AND 559

1. AFTER DISCUSSION WITH BRITISH AMBASSADOR BOTTOMLEY, I BELIEVE  
BEST COURSE WOULD BE TO GIVE VORSTER OUR (TRIPARTITE) ASSENT TO  
USE OF AIDE MEMOIRE PROVIDED HE QUOTES FULL VERBATIM TEXT.

2. SINCE VORSTER IS MASTER MANIPULATOR OF WORDS, IT WOULD BE  
UNWISE TO AGREE TO HIS CITING AIDE MEMOIRE IN HIS OWN LANGUAGE  
LEST HE MAKE IT APPEAR TO REQUIRE LESS THAN IT DOES, THUS BENDING  
IT TO IMPLY THAT HIS EXISTING PLANS FOR SWA ALREADY MEET  
US UK FRENCH VIEWS.

3. AMBASSADOR BOTTOMLEY'S INITIAL VIEW, ALTHOUGH HE HAS MADE  
NO RECOMMENDATION TO LONDON, WAS THAT THREE POWERS SHOULD GO  
AHEAD AND PUBLISH TEXT OF AIDE MEMOIRE ON MAY 19, THUS  
MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR VORSTER DRAW UPON IT FOR HIS MAY 20  
SPEECH. ON OTHER HAND, HE AGREES THIS MIGHT CREATE IMPRESSION  
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OF SOME CELLUSION BETWEEN US AND SAG AND PERMIT SOME TO INFER

WE HAD HAND IN PLANNING VORSTER SPEECH.

4. WE WOULD SUGGEST WAITING TO SEE IF VORSTER USES TEXT  
CORRECTLY AND COMPLETELY, THEN EITHER CONFIRMING TEXT WAS  
ACCURATE OR PUBLISHING FULL TEXT IN THREE CAPITALS AFTER  
VORSTER'S SPEECH.

5. PLEASE ADVISE BY NIACT IMMEDIATE WHAT RESPONSE WE SHOULD  
ASK AMB BOTTOMLEY TO CONVEY TO VORSTER.

6. FYI: BOTTOMLEY ATTEMPTING COODINATE WITH FRENCH CHARGE  
HERE, ALTHOUGH IN VIEW PAST DELAYS IN FRENCH GETTING INSTRUCTIONS  
FROM PARIS, IT MAY TAKE LONGER GET FRENCH DECISION.  
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